# CITY OF NEWBERG CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OCTOBER 5, 2009

### 7:00 P.M. MEETING

# PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING TRAINING ROOM 401 EAST THIRD STREET

Work Session was held prior to the meeting. General discussions occurred. No decisions were made.

# I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Bob Andrews called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

II. ROLL CALL

Members

Present: Mayor Bob Andrews Denise Bacon Stephen McKinney Bart Rierson

Denise Bacon Bob Larson
Bart Rierson Marc Shelton

Wade Witherspoon

Staff

Present: Daniel Danicic, City Manager

Barton Brierley, Planning and Building Director Howard Hamilton, Public Works Director

Janelle Nordyke, Finance Director

Terrence Mahr, City Attorney

Les Hallman, Fire Chief Norma Alley, City Recorder

Jennifer Nelson, Recording Secretary

Others

Present: Louis Larson and Rosa Olivarez

### III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was performed.

# IV. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Daniel Danicic, City Manager, announced the fire department received a \$764,000.00 grant from FEMA for improvements to the ventilation in the bunking areas; details will be provided later. He spoke of the League of Oregon Cities (LOC) conference and noted the City will receive the CIS Gold Medal Award for wellness and an honorable mention for the City's reuse system. The City also will be receiving an award at the American Public Works Association Conference for the City's water wise demonstration garden on Blaine Street. He also mentioned a proposal from the Camellia Society for Newberg to continue to host their annual show.

# V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Louis Larson spoke of the Citizens' Rate Review Committee (CRRC) and congratulated City staff for efforts made for public involvement. He made some suggestions about affordability for the rate payer based on capital improvements and distributing costs through a property tax bond measure, so those who least can afford it are not being taxed the highest amount.

#### VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Consider a motion approving a **Resolution No. 2009-2871** adopting the Yamhill County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan.

- 2. Consider a motion approving a proclamation declaring October 8, 2009, Oregon's Day of Culture.
- 3. Consider a motion approving City Council Minutes for September 8, 2009.

**MOTION:** Rierson/Larson to approve the Consent Calendar including Resolution No. 2009-2871, a proclamation declaring October 8, 2009, Oregon's Day of Culture, and the City Council Minutes for September 8, 2009 as amended. (7 Yes/0 No) Motion carried.

Mayor Andrews read the proclamation and presented it to Ms. Rosa Olivarez.

# VI. NEW BUSINESS

None.

#### VII. COUNCIL BUSINESS

Discussions occurred concerning citizen surveys as a critical tool for communicating with a constantly changing public and the benefits of using a professional company every few years as well as the different methods of conducting the surveys, such as telephone and internet venues. The Council discussed having the IT manager also prepare a summary of hits to the City website as one step to evaluate how citizens are using the website as a source of information.

# VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:39 PM.

**ADOPTED** by the Newberg City Council this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of November, 2009.

Norma I. Alley, City Recorder

**ATTEST** by the Mayor this 5<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2009.

Bob Andrews, Mayor